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VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA Monday December 5, 2022, 6:00pm

Virtual meeting link: https://cow.webex.com/cow/j.php?MTID=m9d233db4f78bb0528628acf433e3ce8a

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AGENDA

Please note: all times listed below are approximate

1. Call to order and introductions

6:00-6:05pm

Public Comment (Time will be allotted for each agenda as it is introduced or at Chairperson discretion)

2. Approval of meeting minutes from October 3, 2022

6:05-6:10pm

3. Follow up discussion on voter access with Niko Vangjeli, City Clerk

6:10-7:10pm

4. Update on Vote16 initiative

7:10-7:20pm

5. Notice: Justice Department Launches Investigation of Worcester Police Department

7:20-7:25pm

The Special Litigation Section of the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts will jointly conduct this investigation. Individuals with relevant information are encouraged to contact the Department of Justice via email at community.wpd@usdoj.gov or by toll free phone at 888-221-6023. Individuals can also report civil rights violations regarding this or other matters using the Civil Rights Division's reporting portal available at https://civilrights.justice.gov

Press release: https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-launches-investigation-worcester-police-department

6. Sharing information on cold weather warming centers, food pantries, and winter clothing donations and distribution

7:25-7:30pm

7. Adjournment

Next meeting: Monday January 9, 2023, 6pm, Annual homelessness update (In person at City Hall and over WebEx)